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Applicants : Bradley N. KIPPE et al. April 2, 2003  
For : VEHICLE FUEL PULSE DAMPER  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a Form 1449 listing documents that Applicants ask the Examiner to consider and make of record in this patent application. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

Applicants also enclose a copy of a photograph of a fuel pulse damper that was known by others in this country before the invention by Applicants.

The fuel pulse damper shown in the copy of the photograph includes a lower plastic housing having a quick connect fitting and a barbed fitting for connection to fuel supply conduits. An upper metallic housing is sealed to the lower plastic housing with a diaphragm disposed between the upper and lower housings. A chamber below the diaphragm receives the fuel and a chamber above the diaphragm is sealed and includes a coil spring located between a metal disk-shaped seat on the diaphragm and the upper housing.

Applicants ask the Examiner to consider the documents and the photograph and make them of record in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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